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SUBJECT: ROSARIO PROPOSAL TO MRGD

1. DAVID FAGIN OF ROSARIO PHONED AF/W MAY 30 TO CHECK INTO STATUS OF ROSARIO PROPOSAL TO MRGD. HE RATHER ALARMED BY LETTER HE HAD RECEIVED FROM FISK OF ROSARIO IN NIAMEY DESCRIBING CONVERSATION FISK HAD HAD WITH MISRAHI OF LITWIN IN PARIS LAST WEEK. DURING MEETING ABOUT LITWIN REFINERY WHICH INCLUDED MISRAHI, AMBASSADOR DESOUZA AND MINISTER ATCHADE, LATTER INDICATED DAHOMEY HAS RECEIVED "TWELVE APPLICATIONS" FOR PETROLEUM CONCESSION RIGHTS. ATCHADE SAID FURTHER THAT ELF GROUP (FRENCH PETROLEUM COMBINE) WAS INTERESTED AND HE HOPED THAT ELF WOULD TAKE CONCESSION.

2. FAGIN HAS NO OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBLE SERIOUS FRENCH INTEREST IN DAHOMEY CONCESSION BUT NATURALLY QUITE DISTURBED BY REPORT FROM FISK. HE HAS YET TO RECEIVE REPLY FROM EITHER DAHOMEY EMBASSY

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WASHINGTON OR MRGD REGARDING CURRENT STATUS OF ROSARIO

PROPOSAL. FAGIN SAID ROSARIO WILLING BE FLEXIBLE ON
TERMS, AND COMPANY EXPECTS FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS ON
PROPOSAL WITH MRGD.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EMBASSY'S PRESENT
EVALUATION MRGD THINKING ON PETROLEUM CONCESSION
ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF PRESUMED FRENCH INTEREST. BROWN

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